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SUBJECT: PHASE II OF OAS SPECIAL COMMITTEE - REPORT NO. 4

1. SUBCOMMITTEE I MET SEPTEMBER 10, 12, AND 13 AND ON EACH DAY HEARD FURTHER DISQUISITIONS BY THE PERUVIAN DELEGATE (LLOSA). THE ONLY SALIENT NEW DEVELOPMENTS WERE PROPOSED NEW DRAFTS BY PERU OF ARTICLE 1 AND 2 OF THE CHARTER.

2. PERU OFFERED TWO ALTERNATIVES TO THE PRESENT ARTICLE 1. BOTH VERSIONS EXCISE FROM THE EXISTING ARTICLE I "TO ACHIEVE AN ORDER OF PEACE AND JUSTICE, TO PROMOTE MEMBERS' SOLIDARITY, TO STRENGTHEN THEIR COLLABORATION, AND TO DEFEND THEIR SOVEREIGNTY, THEIR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, AND THEIR INDEPENDENCE", SUBSTITUTING INSTEAD ENSURING OF "PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE (CONVIVENCIA PACIFICA) AND THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR PEOPLES."

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3. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE 2 WOULD EXPAND THE "ESSENTIAL PURPOSES" OF THE OAS FROM FIVE TO EIGHT. LOST FROM THE PRESENT CHARTER WOULD BE:

A. "TO PROVIDE FOR COMMON ACTION....IN CASE OF AGGRESSION AND

B. "TO PROMOTE, BY COOPERATIVE ACTION, THEIR ECONOMIC SOCIAL AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT".

4. IN THEIR PLACE WOULD BE:

A. "TO PROVIDE FOR COMMON ACTION OF MEMBER STATES TO ACHIEVE PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT."

B. "TO COOPERATE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ORDER WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE FULFILLMENT OF THE HUMAN PERSONALITY AND INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL JUSTICE."

C. TO AFFIRM THE PERSONALITY OF THEIR PEOPLES, FREE-ING THEM FROM ANY FORM OF CULTURAL DOMINATION AND ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR OWN VALUES."

D. "TO PROMOTE ACCESS OF THEIR PEOPLES TO SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES."

5. AMBASSADOR JOVA, SPEAKING FOR THE U.S. ON SEPTEMBER 12, CRITICIZED THE TERM "PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE" AS HAVING COLD WAR CONNOTATIONS FOR U.S. PUBLIC, AS LACKING GRACE AS COMPARED WITH "PEACE" AND AS IMPLYING GRUDGING ACCEPTANCE OF NECESSITY OF HAVING TO LIVE SIDE BY SIDE.

6. FOLLOWING PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED ARTICLE 2 AMENDMENTS, ECUADOR, BRAZIL, BARBADOS, ARGENTINA, THE U.S. AND GUATEMALA RAISED QUESTIONS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE PERUVIAN INITIATIVE.

7. COMMITTEE III (STRUCTURE) MET FOR THE FIRST TIME SEPTEMBER 10 AND INSTALLED A WORKING GROUP COMPOSED OF THE U.S., BRAZIL, CHILE, EL SALVADOR, MEXICO, PERU, PARAGUAY, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND URUGUAY. THE GROUP MET THE NEXT THREE DAYS AND PRODUCED AN AGENDA FOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S DELIBERATIONS, WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO RESUME SEPTEMBER 17. SUBCOMMITTEE III WILL BEGIN WITH A STUDY OF THE SPECIALIZED ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES. RUSH

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